

4/5/2011 OSC Admin Meeting Minutes

Present: A. Stephan, B. Gorski, D. Tetlow, C. Petroski, C. Mizerny, J. Sloan, G. Montanarella, N. Consol, B. VanHerreweghe, R. Schumacher

Review of Minutes: accepted

Roundtable Sharing and Announcements:

- CFC – New OSC starting soon (former student) – will pick up cases from Amy and Rachel's caseloads (maternity leaves)
- FRC – Lindsay Fitter has returned from maternity leave. Deseré Lester (SpEd) is covering the classroom while the SpEd is on maternity leave. Lynn Steenwerth will be going on maternity leave approximately June 4th.
- NYEIS – always start with the HELP Desk

Agenda

- Tracking referrals at the County (Jan – Mar)
 - CAFL
 - CFC
 - FRC
- County Conference Call
 - Training – schedule in development – Intro to SC will be the first training – revised curriculum due to revised regs
 - Provider monitoring tool – new tool being used by IPRO – they contact families before coming out for the audit. Inform your families that they may receive an invitation for feedback
 - **ACTION ITEM: Ann Marie asked the state what questions are being asked and will share with the group once received**
 - State ARRA funds update – will be re-allocated
 - Partnering with the Advocacy Center – leadership training for parents
 - Clinical guidelines will not be revised at this time (language, autism)
 - There will not be webinars for training at this time
 - Developmental tools will not be updated at this time
 - HERSA Grant
 - To benefit families with children on the autism spectrum
 - Family Initiative Coordination Activities – focus groups to concentrate on transition to preschool. Would like 4 more focus groups via webinar. 1 webinar will include OSCs, county staff, and providers.
 - Expanding the EI website: www.eifamilies.com
- Budget
 - Email sent (5% reduction in rates effective 4/1 – some counties will receive adjustments due to wage stabilization and transportation factors, OSC capitation rate eff 10/1, providers to bill in 15 min increments eff 7/1, fee increase for the State Central Registry was raised by \$25, counties will no longer be receiving state aid for EI Service Coordination)
 - Do not input billing into NYEIS and KIDS for 4/1 and after until the systems are updated with the new rates. May take 3-5 weeks minimum.

- Be proactive – contact PCG (contracted to determine new fixed OSC rate)
- Intelligibility: Email sent to OSC stating 3 “ways” a child with articulation concerns only at the time of transition testing can stay in EI past the 3rd birthday: child still has a 1 SD delay, the family’s outcome has not been met, clinical cues
- Quarterly OSC Meeting
 - Agenda discussed
 - Possibly look at KIDS vs NYEIS, look at website and do some “navigating” live for the OSCs
 - **ACTION ITEM: Barbara to review changes since last quarterly meeting and make a list for distribution**
- OSC billing
 - No bill for tours – can bill for discussing the child’s outcome (for example)
 - No bill or observations – can bill for discussing the outcome and progress (for example) with the provider and family
 - No bill for observing therapy or group – can bill for “co-visiting” with the therapist
 - Can bill for discussing kids with EI/OD – make a list before sitting down to talk with them
 - Still billing for CPSE meetings, but not the waiting time (don’t type CPSE meeting notes – waste of time)
 - **ACTION ITEM: Each manager to email a list of creative billing ideas to Cindy by 4/15**
- NYEIS website – navigated live
 - Lob on through HCS, go to NYEIS production
 - Guidance to come
 - Tasks are in INBOX
 - Respite is listed as Parent Resources
 - Questions arose:
 - How many times can the IFSP be extended?
 - Should KIDS do exactly 6 months like NYEIS is doing for IFSP dates?
 - Integrated is 51% or more in NYEIS – how do we address groups that are not integrated more than 51%?

Next Meeting: Catholic Family Center 5/3

Respectfully submitted by Renée Schumacher